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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (KOKAI) No. 10-37962 is discussed at page 3 of the specification of the present application. An English-language abstract of this document is enclosed.

2. An English-language abstract is enclosed for Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (KOKAI) No. 11-106775.

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3. An English-language abstract is enclosed for PCT International Publication No. WO 92/01872.

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11. PCT International Publication No. WO 02/099019 (PCT International Application No. PCT/JP02/03887) (Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-16023 which is basic application of PCT/JP02/03887 is discussed at pages 3, 14 and 17 of the specification.

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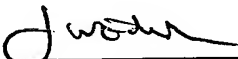
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